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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Joint Request for Exception to Assigned Service Territory between Watertown Municipal Utilities Department and Codington Clark Electric Cooperative

Dear Martin:

RE:

Watertown Municipal Utilities Department has purchased 2.7 miles of electric distribution system on the east side of Watertown from Codington Clark Electric Cooperative (see attached map):

Included with this purchase are two active services and two inactive services located in Watertown's Service Territory. These customers were served by Codington Clark on the date of establishment of the Service Territories in 1976 and thus grandfathered to Codington Clark until now. We assume no action is necessary by the Commission regarding these customers since they have always been in Watertown's Service Territory.

Also included with this purchase is one active service to a lighted highway sign that is located on the east side of Interstate 29 and still within Codington Clark's Territory. We are jointly requesting an Exception to Assigned Service Territory for this customer since they are now one-half mile away from Codington Clark's facilities, but already connected to the line purchased by Watertswn.

The owner of the sign, Drive-By Signs, is agreeable to the change, as noted by the signature below. If you should have any questions of require anything further to schedule action on this matter, please contact us.

Thank you.

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Sincerely.

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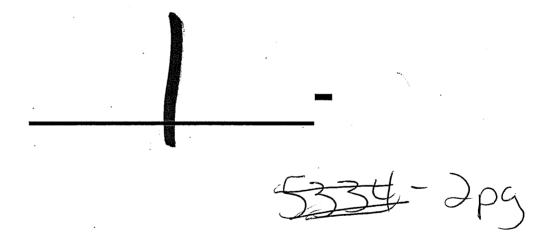
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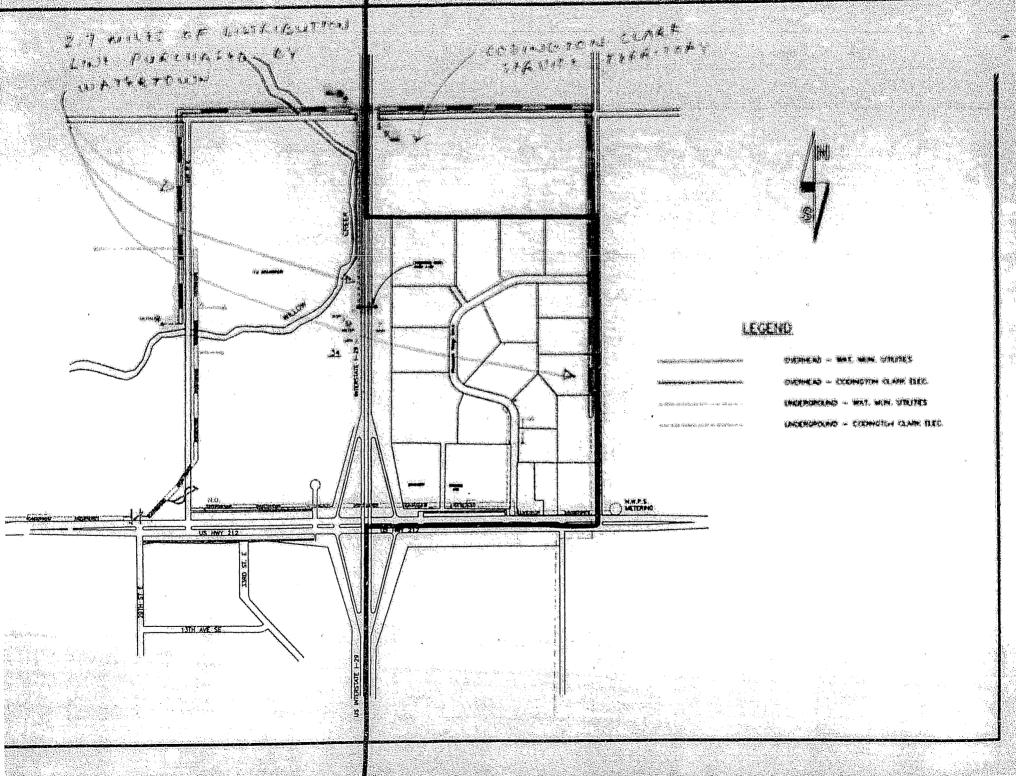
Mike Sheehan Drive-By Signs

Gene Ward, General Manager Codington Clark Fleet Coop.

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#### ELECTRIC

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In the Matter of the Joint Request for Assigned Service Territory Exception between Watertown Municipal Utilities Department and Godington-Clark Electric Cooperative.

Watertown Municipal Utilities Department has purchased 2.7 miles of electric distribution system on the east side of Watertown from Codington Clark Electric Cooperative. Watertown Municipal Utilities Department and Codington Clark Electric Cooperative are jointly requesting an exception to assigned service territory for the services on the portion of the electric distribution system purchased by Watertown Municipal Utilities.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 09/06/00 Intervention Deadline: 09/22/00

#### NATURAL GAS

NG00-008

In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of a Refund Plan for 2000 Distribution of Kansas Ad Valorem Tax Refund.

Application by MidAmerican Energy to refund amounts related to Kantas Ad Valorem taxes paid from 1983 to 1988. The refund is a result of Kansas property taxes being added to natural gas prices resulting in prices that exceeded the maximum lawful price of natural gas pursuant to the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978. MidAmerican previously requested deferral of this refund until a final determination of the refund amount was decided by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) or the courts. MidAmerican is now filing a refund plan to initiate the refund at this time subject to true up of the final amount as determined by the FERC, the courts or a settlement of the parties in this matter.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer

Date Filed: 09/06/00 Intervention Deadline: NA

#### **TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

TC00-133

In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and @link Networks. Inc.

A Resale Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and @link Networks, Inc. was filed with the Commission for approval. The agreement is a negotiated agreement wherein the parties set forth terms, conditions and prices for provisioning services for resale and certain unbundled network elements, ancillary functions and additional features. The agreement also sets form terms, conditions and prices under which the parties agree to interconnect and pay reciprocal compensation for exchange

of local traffic. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than September 21, 2000. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 09/01/00 Initial Comments Due: 09/21/00

TC00-134 In the Matter of the Application of Premiere Network Services, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services, Including Local Exchange Services, in South Dakota.

Premiere Network Services, Inc. has filed for a Certificate of Authority to provide local exchange and interexchange service on a resold and facilities basis throughout South Dakota. Premiere intends to offer local service, advanced services, MTS, directory assistance, operator assistance, toll-free calling services, and telecommunications relay services.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris Date Docketed: 09/05/00 Intervention Deadline: 09/22/00

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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT REQUEST ORDER GRANTING APPROVAL OF AN FOR ASSIGNED SERVICE TERRITORY EXCEPTION TO THE EXCEPTION BETWEEN WATERTOWN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES DEPARTMENT AND ASSIGNED EL ÉCTRIC CODINGTON-CLARK ELECTRIC SERVICE TERRITORY COOPERATIVE, INC. EL00-025

On September 6, 2000, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a joint request for an exception to assigned service territory for the services on a portion of the electric distribution system purchased by Watertown Municipal Utilities from Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative. Watertown Municipal Utilities Department has purchased 2.7 miles of electric distribution system on the east side of Watertown from Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative. Both companies, as well as the owner of one active service to a lighted highway sign, signed the joint request.

The description of the location to be served by Watertown Municipal Utilities is

the Northwest corner of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 34, Township 117N, Range 52 W in Codington County, South Dakota.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of September 26, 2000, the Commission considered the matter. Commission Staff recommended approval of the joint request

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically 49-34A-42 and 49-34A-55. Further, the Commission finds that an exception to the assigned service territory is in the public interest and the request shall be granted. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the joint request seeking approval of an exception to the assignment of service territory is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of October, 2000.

# The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in property addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon. By: Addressed envelopes and the control of the con

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON\_Commissioner

LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner